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Which Contain Polymerized Units of N-methylolacrylamide

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IN THE CLAIMS

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1. (Twice Amended) In a vinyl acetate based polymer emulsion formed by the emulsion polymerization of vinyl acetate and N-methylolacrylamide, optionally other monomers, in the presence of a stabilizing system and a redox catalyst system comprised of an oxidizing agent and a reducing agent, the improvement for reducing formaldehyde emissions in the resulting vinyl acetate based polymer emulsion, which comprises:

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forming said vinyl acetate based polymer emulsion utilizing as the reducing component of the redox catalyst system a reducing agent of the formula:

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